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## SIGNS FOLLOWING BELIEVERS

### A Good Honest Life Must Back up a Testimony to Make it Count.

#### READY FOR HEAVEN OR NOT.

When a person professes religion I like to see some sign of a true religious life. For a man to profess religion on Sunday, and then on Monday morning meet him on the street puffing a cigar, I do not consider that a good sign of religion. It is rather a sign to me that he does not have it.

I suppose a man might get religion on Sunday and lose it on Monday, but whether he got it or not I do not consider him saved and on his way to heaven while he is sucking that cigar or using tobacco in any way. I consider the use of tobacco a sin, and as long as one uses it he is not saved from his sins if my understanding is correct.

The use of tobacco is not the only thing a man might be guilty of on Monday after he has professed religion on Sunday. He might curse, or steal, or refuse to pay some honest debt that is due, or if he could not pay the debt he might refuse or merely neglect making any provision for it. Any of these things are not good signs of good religion.

What we want are signs of a real Christian to follow the people that profess religion. I do not consider it a good sign of good religion for one of our members to sit back and refuse to take the Lord's supper when this service is going on. Neither do I consider it a good sign for one to refuse to engage in the feet washing service when others are doing this beautiful service for the Lord.

If one is not fit to take part in these services he is surely not fit for heaven. I would be afraid to be ushered into the presence of God for judgment after I had refused this sacred service only five minutes before. As I see it, that would be a scary time for me.

Another thing that does not look well is one absenting himself from the regular Sunday services when there is no good reason for it. There might be some reasonable excuse for staying away, but when one has the interest of God's work at heart, and the salvation of his soul in proper consideration, he is not likely to stay away from service when there is only some trivial excuse.

Some one said, "Company came today and I had to stay with them." I do not consider this a good excuse. My friends have known better than to come to visit me on Sunday during time for worship for many years unless they expected to go with me. We owe our first duty to God, and it is one good sign following for one to always be on hands and in his place in worship on Sunday. It is not a good sign for him to be absent, and not go any place for worship if there is any convenient place for him to go.

If I am a Christian I must bear the fruit of a Christian. Passing by an apple tree once, some one looked among the leaves and remarked, "There is not a sign of an apple on the tree." There was the nice foliage, but no fruit and no sign of it. I

is an important matter to have some sign of Christian fruit. People have been almost dead and some have remarked that "There is no sign of life, he must be dead."

This has been too often the case with some professing Christians. There is no sign of Christian life. They do not attend the regular services, do not have family worship, do not ask the blessing at the table, their conversation is not becoming for a Christian, and really there is no appearance of spirituality about them. Such people surely are not ready for heaven. A good honest life must back up a testimony to make it count.

Besides the signs above mentioned, there are some special miraculous signs that are to follow believers. In reference to these signs Jesus says they shall follow. Paul says they followed him, and the writer of Hebrews says they followed the apostles and Mark says God confirmed the word with these signs following. Many people in these days oppose these signs, but no matter if they do, the Bible remains the same.

In a recent number of a religious periodical a question is asked thus, "What is meant in Mark 16:18 by 'they shall take up serpents'?" The answer is given, I suppose, by the editor. His first answer to the question is as follows, viz: "It means exactly what Paul did in Acts 28:3-6." This refers to the time when Paul was shipwrecked on the island of Melita where he gathered a bundle of sticks and laid them on the fire, and there came a viper out of the heat, and fastened on his hand. But Paul shook off the beast into the fire, and felt no harm, although it was considered so poisonous by the Islanders that they expected to see him swell and drop dead instantly.

This is the gentleman's explanation of what Jesus meant when He said, "They shall take up serpents." And this is given by Jesus as one of the signs that shall follow believers. Well, if this interpretation is correct, and Jesus meant that in the case of taking up serpents, I guess the same plan of interpretation will have to be given the other signs mentioned. Let us see how such analogy would apply to the other signs. Call attention first to the first sign mentioned. "In my name shall they cast out devils." Following the same course of analogy referred to above, then when Paul was shipwrecked and wet and cold and he was building a fire to warm by, a devil would take hold of him and Paul would cast him out. No other way would devils be cast out, because that is the analogy given concerning taking up serpents.

Now let us consider the second sign, "They shall speak with new tongues." Lay this down by the side of the first and we see Paul shipwrecked on the island, cold and wet, gathering sticks to make a fire to warm by, and as he laid the sticks on the fire something came out and made him speak with new tongues. This was the sign that followed believers, and this was the way

it came about according to the gentleman's analogy about the serpent.

All right, so much, so good. Let us now take the last sign given and lay it down by the serpent hanging on Paul's hand. Paul has met with some misfortune and is cold and wet and he wants a fire so he can warm himself. He picks up the sticks and lays them on the fire and all of a sudden his hands are laid on the sick, and the sick recover.

When that gentleman reads this, and I am very sure he will for he and I are good friends, I imagine he will say, "I did not mean that casting out devils, speaking with new tongues, and laying hands on the sick were mere accidents." Yes, but brother, if the snake proposition was a mere accident the others have to be too, because they all go together under the same head. Jesus said, "And these signs shall follow them that believe," and if the taking up of serpents means taking them up in a similar manner to the way Paul took that one up the other signs have to follow in a similar manner.

Paul did not aim to take his serpent up. He did not know he was about him till he was fastened on his hand, and then he shook him off as quickly as possible. Applying the same analogy, we are not to lay our hands on the sick intentionally, and when we do get our hands on them accidentally we must shake them loose as quickly as possible, as if it is dangerous to keep them there.

The same follows about the casting out of devils. We must not cast them out intentionally, it must be accidentally, then when we do get some of it done we must quit it as soon as possible. It would be a mistake, according to the gentleman's theory, for us to pray for power to relieve some one possessed with devils, or make any attempt to cast the devils out and relieve him. If it is done at all it must be by accident and not intentional.

By this time all who are following me can see the fallacy of the gentleman's theory. Paul's experience with the viper on the island of Melita had no reference whatever to the signs that are to follow them that believe. This thing is likely to happen to other people as well as believers. Thousands of people that have made no pretense of religion have been bitten by serpents similar to Paul. But that is no sign they are believers. Paul was a believer, but the taking up of that serpent in the manner he did was no sign he was a believer, because the only reason he took him up was because he was fast to his hand. He had his fangs fastened in his hand, and of course he would jerk his hand up, just like any one else would do, and the snake came up with his hand. But Paul got him off as soon as possible, just like any one else would do under the same circumstances.

But I suppose the gentleman would say that the sign in the matter was the fact of his feeling no harm. It did not hurt him although it was extremely poisonous. That is all right. I grant that was a miracle and was convincing to those natives, but that is not the part that Jesus says shall be one of the signs that follows them that be-

lieve. It is the taking up. Jesus says, "They shall take up serpents." And anybody knows Paul did not take up that serpent in the sense that taking up means. To take up means to put forth your hand and take hold of whatever you take up and not that the thing you take up sticks to you and you lift it up because it is fast to you. Just as well say that the sick people will cleave to you, and call that laying hands on the sick, as to say Paul took up that serpent in the sense meant at Mark 16:18.

The next thing our friend says in his answer to the question is, "No case is on record in the New Testament where the apostles wilfully took up serpents." I admit there is no example given, but Jesus said they would do it, and I cannot think of Him, in whose mouth there was no guile, saying that a thing would be done, and it never be done. Besides this Mark says that "They went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following." (Mark 16:20.)

Who would attempt to deny that the very signs mentioned above were the very signs that followed? Jesus marked out the signs that would follow, and Mark closed up his record by saying they did follow. And to help Mark about the matter the writer of Hebrews shows that the signs followed, because he says, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation; which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by them that heard him; God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will." (Heb. 2:3,4.)

We do not claim one has to take up serpents to prove he has the baptism with the Holy Ghost, but we do claim that the taking up of serpents is one of the signs that follow them that believe along with casting out devils and laying hands on the sick. If you do away with the serpents, or call it accidental, then you will have to do away with casting out devils and laying hands on the sick or class them as accidental. This is conclusive because they all belong together.

If you wilfully cast out devils, and wilfully lay hands on the sick because Jesus said to do it, then how can you object to wilfully taking up serpents? These are all signs following believers, and all given by Jesus Himself in His last commission. Mark also declares that signs followed the apostles and no one has a right to say they did not take up serpents. He further states that the signs were used to confirm the word.

For myself I do not mean to try to explain it away. I leave it just like it is, and it is a fact too, that many of our people have taken up serpents, and by doing so many have been convinced of the truth. We do not urge our people to take up serpents, but they do it. We do not persuade them to cast out devils and lay hands on the sick, but they do it just the same.

Jesus did not say whether signs made people ready for heaven or not, but we rather conclude they do not. It is the blood that cleanses, it is through Jesus we are made ready for heaven, but we like for the signs to follow,

## ANTICHRIST--SATAN'S MASTERPIECE

### The Most Brilliant, Intellectual Ruler of all Ages! Universal Homage Accorded Him!

#### Has Lived on Earth Before-- Will Ascend Out of The Bottomless Pit.

L. HOWARD JULLERAT.

"Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists."

This great emissary of Satan is to come in person to this world and live among men. Many have wondered who he is. Bible students agree that he is identical with the Beast of Rev. 13. Let us note a few Scriptures and may God help us to rightly divide them.

John sees a beast coming out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. Such a wonderful creature caused him to wonder at its meaning. For an explanation we go to Rev. 17:9. The seven heads are seven mountains (a mountain in symbols means a kingdom.) So the seven heads are seven kingdoms. The next verse shows this to be true for it says, "And there are seven kings"—who of course rule over these seven kingdoms—"five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come." We know that Rome was the kingdom or nation ruling the world at that time; the five before her that most completely ruled the earth were, Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia and Greece; these were fallen. From the cruelties of Pharaoh down to the iron hand of Caesar we see the characteristics of the Beast. Haven't they gained their eminence by conquest with the accompanying war, bloodshed and devastation?

"And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion." Daniel had a vision of a lion, a bear, a leopard and a ten horned beast. All of these are embodied in the beast that John saw. In the latter are all the bad traits of the former beasts—the boldness of the lion, the fierceness of the bear and the swiftness of the leopard. Daniel was told that these four terrible beasts are four kings that shall arise out of the earth.

The vision coincides with because Jesus said they would follow believers, and we do not want to be classed with the unbelievers. We like to see some signs of a Christian in one that professes salvation and faith in Jesus.

Paul encourages and endorses the signs following believers when he says, "I have therefore whereof I may glory through Jesus Christ in those things which pertain to God. For I will not dare to speak of any of those things which Christ hath not wrought by me, to make the Gentiles obedient, by word and deed, through mighty signs and wonders, by the power of the Spirit of God; so that from Jerusalem, and round about unto Illyricum, I have fully preached the gospel of Christ." (Rom. 15:17-19.)

Above everything else, let us be sure we know whether we are ready for heaven or not. If we are, then let us continue faithful unto the end. If not, then the wise thing to do is to pray through and receive the full assurance of real Bible salvation.

the image in Nebuchadnezzar's dream. There the nations appear in their pomp and glory, but Daniel sees them as they are—wild beasts. It is significant that great nations of today have wild beasts or a bird of prey on their standards—their true natures, though some assume the name of Christian.

The head of gold represented Babylon—"Thou art the head of gold." After him another kingdom inferior to him should arise—the bear inferior to the lion, silver inferior to gold—referring to Medo-Persia. And another third kingdom of brass which shall bear rule over all the earth, refers to Greece, while the fourth kingdom, strong as iron, reveals the "imperium" of Rome. An inferiority in quality but increase in strength from the gold of Babylon to the iron of Rome.

"And the dragon gave him his power and his seat (throne) and great authority." Here we see where the Beast derives his power; he is the instrument of the dragon or Satan. In the wilderness Satan offered Jesus all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them, but Jesus refused. Now Satan finds one who accepts the offer and he gives him great power, even to wear out the saints of the Most High. Wicked rulers have held sway with fearful consequences to the lives of God's true people, but this agent of the devil is given more rein than any earthly sovereign; he is Satan's masterpiece, a genius among great men, a ruler over kings, the most brilliant, intellectual ruler of all ages and the greatest military and political organizer and leader of all time. Universal homage is accorded him; the magnetism, the commanding nature, yea the very craft and cunning of the old deceiver are his; the resources of the under world as well as the powers cast down to earth from the aerial regions together with earth's millions are at his command. What an array of power! What regal splendor! Yea, what divine honor he will assume! He will exalt himself above all gods and will oppose and exalt himself above all that is called god or that is worshipped!

"And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed; and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast; and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?" The time of Antichrist will be one of supernaturalism; the forces of the spirit world that are held back now will then be loosed to co-operate with the beast and those days will be such as earth has never seen. From the pit will issue a cloud of locust demons to torment men for five months. These awful creatures look like battle horses with crowns on their heads, faces of men, hair like women, and teeth as lions; their wings sound like chariots and horses running to battle and their tails like scorpions sting men for five long weary months.

Next appears an army of two hundred million horsemen, hell's cavalry. The heads of the horses

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The next foreign missionary  
 day falls on July 14.

The hot weather fans, advertis-  
 ing the gospel, are still going at  
 35 cents per doz., and \$ 2. 25 per  
 hundred.

I cannot tell how much I ap-  
 preciate the good words that  
 come from the loved ones and  
 their prayers. I love them all.

We will have the blank forms  
 ready soon for the ministers to  
 use in making their monthly re-  
 ports. All should keep a close  
 record of work done in July so  
 they can make a good report  
 the last day of the month.

Help us get subscribers for the  
 Evangel. God will reward you.  
 Do your best.

Our home missionaries are  
 making good, and they seem to  
 be delighted with their work.  
 Two or three more to commence  
 the first of July.

The revival in progress in this  
 city is producing good results.  
 Six or more have received the  
 Holy Ghost besides much other  
 good work done.

We have been asking God to  
 give us more laborers for the  
 ripening harvest fields and He  
 is giving them. Praise be to  
 His excellent name.

Many of our young men have  
 been taken from us and put  
 in government service, but God  
 is raising up others to take  
 their places.

Be sure and pray earnestly for  
 the boys in the camps and on the  
 battle fronts. They need our  
 love, care, and sympathy.

**WANTED**—A thousand young  
 women qualified and equipped  
 for service in the Church. They  
 must expect to fill the vacancies  
 made by those that have to go  
 into the government service.

We have already received  
 quite a number of applications  
 to enroll as Bible school stu-  
 dents. This is encouraging.  
 I am sure the training is needed  
 by many.

Be sure and lend us a helping  
 hand in increasing the circula-  
 tion of the paper. Send for ex-  
 tra copies and subscription  
 blanks and go into the work  
 with a will to help us run up to  
 the ten thousand mark.

Let us all work together and  
 sow down the country with our  
 literature. Get a supply of  
 tracts and the little booklets  
 and scatter them. We make

the price as low as possible so as  
 to do our part in their circula-  
 tion.

The Evangel office is alive with  
 machinery and workers and we  
 will be obliged to take on more  
 help as our work increases, but  
 we need some that have had  
 experience in such work.

Pray, preach, work any and  
 every way possible to get the  
 message of full salvation before  
 the people before Jesus comes.  
 We expect Him soon.

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were as the heads of lions and  
 out of their mouths issued fire  
 and smoke and brimstone by  
 which they kill the third part  
 of men! Woe to the inhabitants  
 of the earth! Hell on earth!  
 Earthquakes! Fire from heaven  
 will come down in the sight of  
 men! The image of the Beast  
 will speak and those who refuse  
 to worship it will be killed! Even  
 the deadly wound of the Beast  
 is healed and the world worships  
 him! What! worship Antichrist?  
 Yes! Man must worship some-  
 thing; they will not have Christ,  
 Satan has a man ready—Anti-  
 christ.

Many of the great movements  
 of our times have a common re-  
 ligious principle, worship of  
 man. Then add to this man's  
 attractive personality and his  
 extensive ability, the great pow-  
 ers that Satan grants him we  
 can readily see that a world that  
 has not received the love of the  
 truth will believe a lie and wor-  
 ship the Beast who comes with  
 all power and signs and lying  
 wonders. Rulers have been  
 worshiped in the past; the great  
 "falling away" is here and man  
 will again be deified. Those who  
 refuse to worship are killed.  
 All must receive a mark in their  
 right hand or in their foreheads,  
 without it they cannot buy or  
 sell. Such will be the dominion  
 of earth's last great war lord,  
 ruling in politics and religion,  
 the two going hand in hand.

Some wonder where such a  
 wonderful man could come from.  
 We first see him in Rev. 11:7 as-  
 cending out of the bottomless  
 pit. In Rev. 17:8 we read—  
 "The beast that thou sawest  
 was, and is not; and shall ascend  
 out of the bottomless pit, and go  
 into perdition: and they that  
 dwell on earth shall wonder,  
 whose names were not written in  
 the book of life from the founda-  
 tion of the world, when they be-  
 hold the beast that was, and is  
 not, and yet is" (or shall be.)  
 What do we see here but a man  
 who has lived in times past,  
 brought back to life and set over  
 the affairs of men? He comes  
 from the bottomless pit, from  
 the under world; he lived on  
 earth before—the beast that was  
 and is not—he wasn't living  
 when John was on Patmos, yet  
 he had lived before that and was  
 to come back later to be clothed  
 with flesh, ruling over men!

Again we read, "And the beast  
 that was, and is not, even he is  
 the eighth, and is of the seven,  
 and goeth into perdition." No  
 doubt the devil fights  
 fiercely to keep the Bride from  
 meeting her Lord but he is de-  
 feated and cast to the earth,  
 having great wrath because his  
 time is short. He makes war  
 with those still left on earth  
 who will not submit to man-wor-  
 ship, but who submit to martyr-  
 dom before they receive the  
 mark of the Beast.

Paul says, "But ye, brethren,  
 are not in darkness, that that  
 day should overtake you as a  
 thief. \* \* \* God hath not ap-  
 pointed us to wrath." "Pray  
 always that ye may be accounted  
 worthy to ESCAPE ALL these  
 things that shall come to pass."  
 See Luke 21:36.

that Antiochus Epiphanes comes  
 the nearest in fulfilling the de-  
 scription than any other. No  
 doubt all these had the spirit of  
 Antichrist and may be used as  
 types of the last great tyrant,  
 but until better proof is given  
 we can't be dogmatic on this  
 line.

"And the ten horns which  
 thou sawest are ten kings, which  
 have received no kingdom as  
 yet; but receive power as kings  
 one hour with the beast. These  
 have one mind and shall give  
 their power and strength un-  
 to the beast." This cor-  
 responds with the ten toes in  
 the image. The world will be  
 under the dominion of ten king-  
 doms that are confederate, all  
 combined and consolidated, fin-  
 ally giving their power over to  
 the Beast.

"And the ten horns out of this  
 kingdom are ten kings that shall  
 arise; and ANOTHER shall rise  
 after them and he shall be diverse  
 from the first, and he shall sub-  
 due three kings." "There came  
 up among them another little  
 horn, before whom there were  
 three of the first horns plucked  
 up by the roots." It seems that  
 at first the Beast gains control  
 of three nations then finally all  
 power is given over to him. In-  
 deed it will take a strong hand  
 to curb the conflicting elements  
 that are arising in these last  
 days. But one has been in train-  
 ing under Satanic influence.  
 Has he not learned much dur-  
 ing these centuries, keeping pace  
 with modern methods? He will  
 be fully competent to assume  
 control over the complicated  
 problems of earth. It will re-  
 quire a master mind to do this.  
 A man of that kind is needed more  
 and more as vast industries and  
 corporations are being merged.

That he is one brought from  
 the dead is further shown in  
 Rev. 19:20. "The beast was  
 taken, and with him the false prophet  
 that wrought miracles before  
 him, with which he deceived  
 them that had received the mark  
 of the beast, and them that wor-  
 shipped his image. These both  
 were cast ALIVE into a lake of  
 fire burning with brimstone." It  
 doesn't say the beast was  
 killed, he had died once and  
 couldn't be killed, but he was  
 TAKEN and cast alive into the  
 lake of fire.

Some one may ask, "When  
 shall we look for the Beast?"  
 Paul says, "For the mystery of  
 iniquity doth already work: on-  
 ly he who now letteth (hinder-  
 eth) will let, (hinder) until he  
 be taken out of the way. And  
 then shall that Wicked be re-  
 vealed, whom the Lord shall  
 consume with the spirit of his  
 mouth, and destroy with the  
 brightness of his coming." Now  
 we take the hindering cause to  
 be the Bride; after she is taken  
 then shall this Beast be revealed.  
 Now if this is true, then those  
 who are ready for the rapture will  
 go with their Lord and escape  
 the terrible reign of this Beast.  
 "Come my people, enter thou  
 in to thy chambers and shut thy  
 doors about thee: hide thyself  
 as it were for a little moment  
 until the indignation be overpast."  
 No doubt the devil fights  
 fiercely to keep the Bride from  
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Christ shall some day put  
 away wickedness from the earth;  
 the kingdoms of this world shall  
 become His. His dominion is  
 an everlasting dominion, which  
 shall not pass away. May God  
 help us to so live that we shall  
 share in His glory and sit with  
 Him on His throne!

**Report.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson and All  
 the Saints—Greetings in the  
 Precious Name of Jesus:

I am now on the cotton belt  
 train speeding away through Ar-  
 kansas and praise God, I do not  
 feel that this trip has been in  
 vain.

We first went to Point, Texas  
 and the blessed Lord began to  
 work from the very first. How  
 He did feed the precious saints!  
 Five were added to the church.

From there we went to Ladonia  
 and found the saints holding  
 on. We could give them only a  
 few services.

From Ladonia we went to Paris  
 for our state meeting. We had  
 a very good meeting though it  
 was not what we expected on ac-  
 count of rain and other hin-  
 derances, yet we do not count it  
 a failure by any means. We  
 feel that the saints were built  
 up. One was received into the  
 church.

From this place we went to  
 Lyra. Oh! the Lord did bless  
 from the very first. Sinners  
 were melted, and oh, how the  
 hungry saints did feed on the  
 Word. On the last Sunday night  
 we observed the Lord's Supper  
 and washed the saints' feet.  
 We shall never be able to de-  
 scribe the love and power that  
 came down. It seemed that my  
 heart never went out for people  
 so in all my life before. Glory  
 to God! I feel it now. My eyes  
 are filled with tears as I try to  
 write.

I remember just now a preci-  
 ous sister, who had been seeking  
 the Holy Ghost a long time, as  
 she received the precious Com-  
 forter and was shouting, dancing  
 and talking in tongues. When  
 she could speak English again  
 she came to me and said: "Oh,  
 Brother Brouayer, you will never  
 know what this trip has been  
 worth to me. It has been worth  
 thousands of worlds to me." Oh,  
 dear ones let us GO; there are so  
 many hungry hearts in the world.

Well, we are going back now  
 to look after the work in the  
 Sobel district. Any one desiring  
 to communicate with us please  
 write us at Route 2, Neptune,  
 Tenn.

Your unworthy servant,  
 Geo. T. Brouayer.

**Request**

Dear Brother Tomlinson;  
 I still have victory this morn-  
 ing.

I want to ask all who read  
 this to pray for my healing. I  
 am trusting the Lord for soul  
 and body.

We would be so glad for Bro-  
 ther and Sister Trim to come  
 here and hold a meeting. I do  
 not know their address.

Yours in Jesus,  
 Margaret Dean,  
 Gunton Park, Va.

**Request.**

Jessie Capshaw writes that  
 her father, W. A. Capshaw, is  
 suffering from a serious injury  
 sustained in an auto accident  
 while on his way to Sylva, N. C.  
 to hold a meeting. The saints  
 are requested to unite in prayer  
 for his recovery.

**Revival Meeting Notice.**

Revival services will begin at  
 Bankhead, Ala. July 25, 1918.  
 Brother Robinson and Brother  
 Luther Richard will have charge  
 of the services. Everybody is  
 invited.

For further information ad-  
 dress V. L. Smith, Mentone,  
 Ala.

**Request.**

Mrs. Mollie King of Lexington,  
 N. C. desires prayer that she and  
 her husband may be saved, and  
 that her son who is in the army  
 may be brought safely home  
 again.

**HELP US TO SEE.**

CHAS. H. SHRINER.

Father of all, we come  
 Bending the humble knee,  
 Sending a cry for light  
 Help us O Lord to see.

We have been weak and vain,  
 Wandered afar from Thee;  
 Dark is the night, we need the light,  
 Send it that we may see.

Cruel and proud and cold,  
 Mocking humanity's cry,  
 Wringing from loved ones bitter tears  
 Unfitted to live or die.

The grave lies just before,  
 All on a level shall be,  
 Naked and weak and lost—  
 Help us ourselves to see.

Forms that we loved are gone,  
 Hidden beneath the sod;  
 Gone to an endless life,  
 Beckoning us to God.

Help us to understand,  
 Help us to come to Thee,  
 Thy face forevermore  
 Help us, O Lord, to see.

**Notice.**

The State Assembly of South  
 Carolina will convene on Thurs-  
 day, August 8, 1918 at Wallhall,  
 S. C. Revival services will con-  
 tinue ten days or longer as the  
 Lord may lead.

W. H. Cross,  
 Over-seer of state.

**WANTED**—A house keeper. I  
 want some one to keep house for  
 me and care for my children as  
 if they were her own. A Church  
 of God lady preferred. My wife  
 is an invalid and there is no one  
 to look after the house except a  
 little ten-year-old daughter.  
 There are four children younger  
 than herself, a baby five months  
 old that has been sick all of its  
 life. Any reasonable salary will  
 be paid the right person.

We live two miles from a  
 church where there is preaching  
 two Sundays out of each month,  
 prayer meeting once or twice  
 each week.

Remember I am not asking  
 my work to be done for nothing.  
 Housekeepers are scarce here.  
 Means will be sent for railroad  
 fare on request.

Readers, please pray a special  
 prayer for my wife.

A. G. Cox,  
 Branford, Fla.

**Graysville, Tenn.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I desire to offer a few words  
 of praise to my Savior for His  
 wonderful works to the children  
 of men. I can never praise Him  
 enough for what He has done for  
 me and for my family.

Oh, how I honor and praise the  
 blessed Lord for sending the  
 marvelous light of the gospel of  
 Jesus to my community nearly  
 five years ago. The Lord so  
 wonderfully sanctified and bap-  
 tized me with the Holy Ghost.  
 Hallelujah! He abides just  
 now.

God called me out of darkness  
 into light and said, "Go tell it  
 to the lost." I tell you, brethren,  
 it is no trouble to tell it if you  
 let the Holy Ghost tell it through  
 you.

I praise God for Brother Juil-  
 lerat's articles in the paper.  
 Come on, Brother Juillett, your  
 articles make me want to go, go,  
 go, and never stop until Jesus  
 comes.

I ask the loved ones every-  
 where to pray especially for me.  
 I am in the selective draft and I  
 want to be free to go and preach  
 the Word to the lost and dying  
 world.

Humbly,  
 T. M. McClendon.

**Camp Pike, Ark.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of praise  
 to my dear Savior who has saved  
 me from my sins. About two  
 and one half years ago He sanc-  
 tified and baptized me with the  
 Holy Ghost. About three months  
 ago I joined the Church of God  
 at Ladonia, Texas.

I came here about two weeks  
 ago. I tell people about Jesus

and His undying love. I am now  
 in a test, but I know it will work  
 out for my good, I have God's  
 love and for us there is a home  
 above where there is joy, peace  
 and love. Just trust in God and  
 walk in the path Jesus has trod,  
 for when this is over we go to be  
 with Jesus for evermore.

Pray for us. May God bless  
 the saints everywhere.

Your brother in Christ,  
 J. W. Scarbrough.

**Kingston Springs, Tenn.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God because I  
 know I still belong to Him. But  
 I do feel my weakness. I live  
 so far from church I can't attend  
 regularly. I hear the Word of  
 God abused until it is almost  
 more than I can bear.

The Lord knows my heart.  
 He knows I am trying to go deep-  
 er in His precious love. I have  
 been in the way of holiness  
 nearly three years and I have no  
 desire to turn back. I have nev-  
 er laid down a sin to take up  
 again. I'd rather give my life  
 than to give up my salvation.  
 By the Lord's help and prayers  
 of the saints I am going through.

The Bible says for you that are  
 strong to bear the infirmities  
 of the weak. I want all the saints  
 who read this to pray a special  
 prayer for me.

Your sister,  
 Sallie Allbert.

**Varnado, La.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of  
 praise to Jesus for what He has  
 done for me. He has wonder-  
 fully saved me from sin. Bless His  
 name! He healed me of a seri-  
 ous stomach trouble that doctors  
 failed to cure. I went to several  
 doctors for relief but failed to  
 get any. I went to a hospital  
 and the doctors wanted to oper-  
 ate on me. The Lord told me  
 to go home and ask for  
 prayer. I went and asked the  
 church to pray for me and from  
 that hour I began to improve.  
 In a week I was able to go to  
 work and have been in very good  
 health ever since. Jesus gets  
 all the glory.

I have suffered with stomach  
 trouble for years and could eat  
 nothing except light diet, but  
 when Jesus touched me He did  
 the work that doctors failed to  
 do. Now I can eat anything  
 and work all the time. Praise  
 Jesus!

Your brother in Christ,  
 W. Garner.

**Primm, Tenn.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am still working for Jesus.  
 It gives me great consolation  
 just to know I'm on the Lord's  
 side.

I desire the prayers of the  
 saints that I shall be found with  
 oil in my vessel prepared to  
 meet the Bridegroom.

Your brother in Christ,  
 S. C. Crosby.

**Request.**

Sister Roxie Loper of Denison,  
 Texas has been sick eight weeks  
 and desires prayer that she may  
 be healed. She is also desirous  
 that a Spirit-filled minister come  
 to that place to preach the gos-  
 pel.

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## Many Are Hindered by Looking at Outward, Material Things.

SAM C. PERRY.

"The inward man is renewed day by day."

For our light affliction \*\*\* worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory;

While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal." 2 Cor. 4:16-18.

How hard it is for men to look away from all the things of earth and see God and His will only. There are a thousand things about us that clamour for recognition, a place in our lives. It is hard to keep our horizon clear. Some sight or sound will come between. Some spirit will allure, something in our own nature will keep us from the proper vision of God and heavenly things.

Peter, in walking on the water to go to his Master looks at the waves and begins to sink. The disciple that carried the "bag" was called a thief. Doubtless he put too great a value on money.

The highest place in the kingdom was asked for two of the disciples, by their mother, but she received a rebuke, for she did not comprehend the spiritual significance of the honors she asked. The other ten were indignant toward these two when they heard it. All of the disciples finally reached a place in the spiritual life where material things, and human ambitions and ideas did not trouble them, and so may all today. But alas, how many have made ship-wreck looking at the things which "are seen," things temporal.

Here and there one looks at the "filthy lucre," and another loves "this present world," another cannot bear the cross, another is attracted by the pleasures or ease which the ways of earth might give him. A man on a ship sitting where the passage way was between him and the light, was trying to read, but he was continually annoyed by the passers by. He finally moved his seat over near the light where none could pass between, he could then read without any disturbance. So with many today they are too far from the light; too many things are allowed to pass between them and the Master; they need to move up a little closer, that His will to them may be first, and give to them their highest pleasure on earth.

Some one said, "Happy is that man who has Jesus and the world." Another said, "Happy is he that hath Jesus only."

Many do not realize that in reaching for the things of earth, although they may be things of little import, that they are in danger of losing the heavenly treasure.

Our life forever more depends on whether we keep our attention steadily on Jesus Christ or not.

Which way are you looking today? That which you see will draw you. Hosts today are in sin who were once in the ranks of the Lord. How did it come about? They looked, they saw something; it drew them; they are gone, most of them never to return. There is life in a look.

An auto driver was attracted by something on the roadside, he looked, and looked too long. His car left the road and was wrecked. So it will be with us if we allow anything to hold our attention from God and the path of duty.

There are many wrecks along the way, ministers, workers, laymen, young and old, are all in danger unless they stay close to the Lord and keep looking unto Him that they may have grace to help in every time of need. Satan is always busy, and he

spares none. He finds his victims anywhere he can from the highest to the lowest member of the ministry and church. You need not think you are safe from his attacks. If possible he will get your eyes off the Lord and on the world, yourself, money, the minister or somebody else or something else.

The "far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory" is worked out in us "while we look at the things" which do not appear to this world. Are you looking at them?

Jesus, the crucified Savior, His glorious redemption for us, and the eternal kingdom that awaits the faithful, His work here, of lifting up the only salvation to the world. Rescuing the perishing, Giving sympathy to the needy and suffering, doing the work which Jesus and His apostles did when on earth, etc. In living a life with such things uppermost in our hearts we are winning the glory which shall endure to all the ages of eternity.

If so small a thing will cut our connection with God and heaven, how careful then we should be lest we fail of the grace of God.

The wire that carries the current of electricity from the Dynamo to run a machine, light a house, or run a car, must be perfectly connected or it will not carry the current, and the desired effect will not be produced. Our connection with heaven must be as perfect, no half way business about this will do. If our connection is broken we will not be able to get our prayers through or get the answer back.

It would be advisable for us to make a careful examination often to see if there is anything too near to our heart and acupying too big a place in our lives and thus dimming our spiritual vision, and breaking our connection with the heavenly power house from whence our grace and power come.

If you desire to receive and maintain the fullness of the Spirit, are you crucified to the world and its opinions and offers and finally to its sneers and jeers? Are you crucified to self and selfish comforts and ambitions? Is your all on the altar for time and eternity? Then keep it there and obey God with your eye steadily on Him and all will come out well.

Sufferer, do you desire healing? Then look away from your pains and aches, healing is in Jesus Christ. Look to Him. The more you look at your sufferings and complaints the more they will increase, but you shall be transformed looking at Him.

Sinner, backslider, sick one, and all who need help, there is life for a look at the crucified One. "Look unto me all ye ends of the earth and be ye saved."

### Foreign Mission Receipts.

S. S. Artesia, Miss.	\$ 1 60
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" Manatee, Fla.	5 00
S. S. Copperhill, Tenn.	1 67

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" Miami, Fla.	5 69
" (Col.) Austinville, Va.	1 20
" Alva, Fla.	1 29
" Preston, Md.	1 26
" Dorothy, W. Va.	1 00
" Lindale, Ga.	1 15
" Crab Orchard, Tenn.	1 00

### Birchwood, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:  
I thank God for the way He keeps me. I can feel His pres-

ence each day. He has helped me to overcome every temptation so far and I desire the prayers of all the saints that I may receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

I have a brother in the training camp who has been saved since going there and he desires your prayers that he may get closer to God.

Your brother,  
A. J. Hixson.

### Gone Home.

Sister Rochie Hash, wife of our beloved Brother John Hash, departed this life June 17, to go home to live with Jesus.

Sister Hash was a member of the church at Campaign, Tenn. About three years ago she was wonderfully sanctified with the precious blood of Jesus and when her strength permitted her to come to the church she with others would tarry for the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

She bore her sufferings with patience and frequently on her bed of affliction she would clap her hands for joy and praise the One who had taken away all fear of death. Among the last words she uttered were: "I am at rest."

Her husband and two children have our prayers and sympathy.  
Her pastor,  
E. J. Boehmer.

### Afton, Tenn.

Dear Evangel Readers:

Brother Lemons has just closed a wonderful meeting here. Some of the saints from Cleveland, Morristown, Knoxville, Tenn. and Atlanta, Ga. were with us. Much good was accomplished in this meeting. Some were saved and some were filled with the Holy Ghost.

Brother Haworth stayed and assisted us in getting our Sunday school organized last Sunday. We wish we could have him and his family with us all the time.

Please pray for us that we may grow stronger.

The people at this place have begun to see the light and we trust that some one will come and conduct another meeting for us. I feel that we shall soon have a strong band of workers for God.

Your sister,  
Mrs. Mae Southerland.

### Notice.

Camp meeting at Oneta, Okla., twenty-one miles east of Tulsa, Okla., beginning July 11, will continue until Aug. 4. Come one, come all. Come trusting God and He will supply our every need. Come and camp in an old-time way to hear and receive the old-time gospel.  
Watt Walker.

### Macon, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

We are having a good meeting in our new mission. Two have received the Holy Ghost and some have been saved. One lady was saved who had been a backslider for fifteen years.

We have a nice little band of workers. God does wonderfully bless us. Sister Belle Anderson is with us. She has a soldier husband in Merritt Branch, Jersey City, N. J., who requests the prayer of all the saints for his deliverance. He received the Holy Ghost three months before he was called to the army.

Please pray for the revival here which is still going on.

Your brother,  
S. C. Elrod.

### Notice.

The church at Copperhill, Tenn., would be glad if some evangelist and workers would give them a few days meeting.

For further information write Brother J. A. Tarpley, Copperhill, Tenn.

W. A. Walker,  
District overseer.

### Point, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Readers:

I want to praise God through the Evangel for the wonderful things He has done for me. It seems that this little community is too limited. I want to tell a greater number of people about this glorious salvation.

Nearly a year ago the gospel in its fullness was brought to Texas. Before that many of us were drifting about, seeking the right way and finding it not. Oh, how glad we were to hear about the great things God had in store for us. No one can express how glad we were to accept the light. Now there is quite a band of us, and praise God, that are more coming. Glory to His name! I'm so glad I have the precious Holy Ghost within.

Brother Geo. T. Browayer has just closed a meeting here. We were wonderfully built up in the most holy faith. The last day the power fell in such a glorious way that the day will be long remembered by many. Five were added to the church and I think there will be others soon.

I have a great desire to see more souls saved at this place and I want to ask the prayers of all the readers.

One of the least,  
Nolas Havins.

### Knoxville, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to praise God because I am one of His children. I have received the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. I am so glad I ever humbled myself so that the Lord could bless me so wonderfully.

I thank God for sending Brother Anderson and his dear wife here to lead us into deeper depths of divine love, deeper than we had ever known before. There are many who can preach, but there must be divine love if God works.

I thank God for His church. I am perfectly satisfied. If the temptations roll high I am counting them all joy. I certainly mean to go to the land of peace and love.

I desire the prayers of the readers that I may be healed of rheumatism in my feet, also pray that my companion may be baptized with the Holy Ghost. My little daughter and I are the only ones of my family who have the Holy Ghost. Please pray that my relatives may receive the light before His coming.

Your sister in Jesus,  
Charity Hill.

### Duke, N. C.

My Dear Brother Tomlinson:

We had a very good meeting at Washington, N. C. The church was set in order with fourteen good members. We call this the Church of God at Washington, N. C. R. 3.

We moved to Chocowinity, N. C., and put up the tent and began the meeting on Monday night after the second Sunday in June and were getting on nicely, but on Wednesday night near eleven o'clock the enemy burned our tent with organ and other things.

The next night we preached under the trees where the tent was burned and the Lord blessed us good. So the kind friends, the trustees of the school building, gave us permission to preach there, and from there we went to the Baptist Church for Sunday and Sunday night. The meeting closed Sunday night.

The Lord blessed Brother Brown and Brother Woodard in giving out the truth. Glory to Jesus for His love! I do love to preach the Word and help win souls to Christ.

Pray for Chocowinity. May God bless the Church of God everywhere, is the prayer of  
G. T. Stargel.

### Notice.

A few weeks ago we had a notice in the Evangel requesting

our members who do not live here to write us. Several responded, but there are many more who did not. Those who wrote, we acknowledge in this paper and they need not write again; but those who did not respond, please do so at once. We are postponing our roll call that we may hear from the other absent members.

We are carrying a lot of names on our books of persons from whom we have not heard in a long time. These are the ones about whom we are most anxious. They don't write, nor pay tithes, nor keep in touch with us in any way so we don't know where they are or what they are doing. We don't know but that they are backslidden. We would write to them if we knew their address.

The Church of God,  
Ridgedale, Tenn.,  
Pastor's address  
J. L. Scott,  
2605 East 17th St.  
Ridgedale, Tenn.

### Carmi, Ill.

Dear Evangel:

I am praising God for the sweet peace I have in my soul and for the love I have for both saint and sinner. All comes through the precious blood of Jesus.

I am so thankful for this narrow way for I know it is the way to heaven. It is an humble and persecuted way, but we know the Bible says if we live godly in Christ Jesus we shall suffer persecutions. When things look discouraging we should think of how our Master suffered and even died on the cross for us.

I am thankful that I am serving a prayer-hearing and prayer-answering God and that by His grace I can live a holy life in this world. We know without holiness we shall not see God.

I have salvation at home, on the street, anywhere. I feel the fire burning and I have to tell it.

There are so many that are going the broad way to destruction. We should let our light shine and try to show them the right way. Jesus says we are the light of the world and He instructs us to let our light shine.

I do wish I could tell the world about this great salvation so they would understand it.

Your sister,  
Maggie Malone.

### Bight, Long Island.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for His loving kindness toward me. Hallelujah! By His grace I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Glory to God! By the grace of God I am living a life pleasing to Him, having put off the old man with his deeds.

I thank God for sending the Pentecostal people to this island to preach the full gospel of His saving grace and keeping power. Like others, when I first heard it, I did my part of the kicking against it, but instead of kicking against it, I kicked myself into the way and the gospel took hold of me and lifted me out of the mire and placed my feet on the solid rock. Now I'm shouting glory, glory, all the way. Praise the Lord!

I must not forget to praise God for prompting you to send into our midst this dear blind brother whose blindness is for the glory of God. The way he is being used of the Lord is wonderful. He goes about without difficulty, yes, just as well as we who have our sight. He can conduct meetings far better than many who can see. He can ride a horse, travel about in a boat, etc. He gives wonderful instructions from the Bible. I just listen and drink it in. Praise God! This shows what He can do with a man when He takes him up. Hallelujah!

William Taylor.

### Called Home.

On Sunday afternoon, June 9, 1918, about three o'clock, Brother W. A. Youngblood was instantly killed by lightning at the home of Brother John Hampton. He attended service at South Minton at eleven o'clock and prayed the opening prayer which seemed especially directed by the Holy Ghost. He had recently joined the Church of God organized here by Brother M. S. Lemons, overseer of the state.

Brother Youngblood was a strong man spiritually and one whom we all loved. He believed in all the doctrine of the Bible as laid down, and this means a great deal. God give us such men in the churches today who are really sound in the faith and we will take the world for Christ!

The church suffers a great loss while heaven rejoices with gain. The sympathy of the church goes out to the family. May the Lord bless them and cause them to follow the husband and father.

A brother in Christ.

### Jacksonville, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to sound a note of praise to my great Redeemer who has redeemed me from sin and sanctified me wholly. I am so glad I can say I still have the victory today. I am determined to go through.

I desire the prayers of the saints that I may be instrumental in God's hands in the salvation of souls. Also please pray that my eyes may be strengthened; they are very weak. I know God can heal them. I have taken Him as my physician.

I praise the Lord for the abiding Comforter.  
Your brother in Christ,  
D. L. McDougal.

### Gone Home to Jesus.

On May 14, 1918, the death angel claimed the spirit of Lottie, ten-year-old daughter of E. A. and Sidney Crews. But our loss is heaven's gain. She praised the Lord to the end. The parents, six brothers and two sisters are left to mourn her loss.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother Jim Culpepper and the remains laid away in the cemetery at Moniac, Ga.

It was hard to give her up, but we could look upon her face with a hope of meeting her again.

Her brother,  
W. O. Crews.

### Notice.

Our revival has just closed at Ridgedale, Tenn., with wonderful success. Some were saved, some sanctified, twenty-two filled with the Holy Ghost, nine joined the church, fifteen baptized in water.

We will have an all day meeting the 4th of July, commencing at 10:30. Dinner on the ground. Lord's supper and feet washing at night.

J. L. Scott,  
Pastor.

### Mona, W. Va.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I could not get along without the Evangel. I get so many blessings by reading it.

I am praying that God will send a minister here to preach the Word of God in power and organize a Church of God. I want a place to worship where I can feel at home.

Please pray for me.  
Your sister in Christ,  
Anna Jock.

### At Rest.

Sister Bertha Bradley, sixteen-year-old daughter of Brother and Sister J. M. Bradley, of Branford, Fla., departed this life June 22, 1918. She trusted the Lord to the end.

Brother and Sister Bradley have our sympathy and prayers. They are all members of the Church of God.

One who loves them,  
J. H. Peterson.



## FAULT-FINDING

C. A. CHURCHILL

Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault, ye which are spiritual restore such an one in the spirit of meekness; considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted."—Gal. 6:1.

Paul is here giving the plan for dealing with people who are members of the Church of God who have been overtaken in a fault. How widely different is his plan and the ones to which some resort now. Paul didn't say, "Go and whisper it to some of the brethren." No, not even the state overseer; but, "Go to him" and restore him. How? In a harsh manner? Nay, verily, but in the spirit of meekness.

There are in the Church of God some people, members, as Paul says, "whose mouths must be stopped." The tongue is one of our members and must be yielded to God. See Rom. 6. We are to yield all our members as instruments of righteousness.

If we have had and still possess the baptism of the Holy Ghost and have our lives yielded to God we will not be so apt to notice some one's fault. If we do, we will only have pity and will bear with him, have patience with him and will hold him up to a throne of grace. Love worketh no ill to his neighbor. Would you rejoice over your brother's downfall? Would you say, "Well it's no more than I expected?" May God help you and make you understand that He loves the soul of the one gone astray.

Study for a moment the parable of the lost sheep. The shepherd left the ninety and nine and went and searched diligently for the one that went astray. But you were circulating his name among the brethren. The one who continually finds fault with his brother or sister is usually the one who has the most faults.

God can't use fault-finders, but Satan can to a great advantage. If God can't use them they are not of us. The church must be cleansed of such people. Ah! if we would fix our eyes on God we would feel like going to a fallen brother or sister and lifting their burden and taking it upon ourselves. Great God, give us the spirit of sacrifice! The spirit of humility! The spirit of forbearance!

Are you not willing to bear with one who has made a crooked step? Suppose God had not borne with you. You would have been in hell sending up your fruitless cries with all the damned of the past ages which would only bring back to you the echoes from the walls of eternity.

If you have the experience that the one hundred twenty received on the day of Pentecost you will seek to restore the fallen brother or sister, remembering that you are human, still this side of heaven and that it is possible for you to be overtaken in a fault, and is very probable if you are not dealing with folks of that kind in the Bible way.

Have you the spirit of Jesus? If you have, you will weep over the erring ones instead of laughing. You will hurry to lend your assistance to those who are about to give up the battle. Oh, Master, help us to know thy will concerning us! Help us to build up instead of tear down, forbear instead of scorn. Are we not all weak at certain points? Some at one, some another?

Don't talk about your brother or sister. Remember we must give an account of every idle word at the judgment. It may not seem so much for you to say these little things here but when viewed in the light of the judgment they will assume the nature of crimes. You had better watch or you may find yourself among that crowd who will seek to enter in through the gates and will not be able. You may have to listen at these

words as they fall in awful accents: "Depart from me, ye workers of iniquity, I never knew you."

Since the writer has been in the Holiness movement he has met with people who were continually running some one down, criticising somebody for making some mistake, and it wouldn't be very long until it would be discovered that the one who was doing the fault-finding was holding on to some old habit, some secret sin, nursing hypocrisy in its infancy until at last it became too large to be hidden any longer. "Be sure your sin will find you out."

Let us ask our heavenly Father to give us a spirit of forbearance, and determine that we will no longer find fault with our brother or sister, but will confess our faults one to another and pray for one another that we may be healed. Then we shall be displaying to the world that spirit that becometh the saints of the Most High God, encouraging one another to press on to the front and never think that because some one has made a mistake that he has given up; at least not until we have tried to restore him.

Let us love one another for love is of God. Some day we shall be free from mistakes and shall have a glorious body fashioned like unto Christ's. Amen.

## Ehren, Fla.

To The Evangel Family—Greeting in the Precious Name of Jesus:

I am glad of the privilege of being out in the field for another summer's work.

I am praising God for the wonderful meeting He gave us over at Tucker, Fla. I have never been in such a meeting. We made an altar call the third service and two were saved and shouted the victory. The power and blessings of God increased every night. It was an old time Pentecostal meeting. Quite a number were saved and sanctified and eleven were wonderfully baptized with the Holy Ghost, for we heard them speak with tongues. Glory!

We were amazed at the way the Lord worked. Nearly every service two or three fell under the power of God. Such manifestations of the blessed Holy Ghost we have not seen in a long time. Truly the Lord visited Tucker.

We want to thank the kind-hearted sinners who stood by us in a financial way. I trust the Lord will give them salvation. They appreciated the Word of God. While they did not accept it they showed their appreciation by coming and laying their dollars down on our Bible while we were praying for the seekers at the altar. We never mentioned a collection while we were there. We believe they gave all they wanted to give us without it. I believe that is the way to trust God; He will supply our needs.

We expect to have a baptizing there as soon as we get through at this place, if we can get a minister to officiate.

We came to Ehren last night. We thought we would rest one night, but the folks were anxious for service, so we began the meeting.

As these little lambs were left without a shepherd we find that the wolf has scattered them and only a few are left who are able to bleat. We trust you will pray that the Lord will heal up the wounds and establish a work here that will stand till Jesus comes.

If there is a Church of God preacher who can be with us on Sunday, about three weeks from this time to baptize the people here and at Tucker we shall be glad to hear from him.

Yours for the Master,  
Lula L. Jones,  
Ruby Newman.

## Sanford, Fla.

Dear Evangel Family:

I want to sound a note of praise to God through the Evangel for the many blessings He has given me. I praise Him for His saving grace and keeping power.

I praise God for Jesus, who is the same yesterday, today and forever. In Him we have a Friend forever faithful; One on whom we can depend. He sustains us with His consolation and is ever ready to help in time of need. Praise His name!

I praise the Lord for the sweet peace and joy that comes into our hearts with the love of Jesus. I praise Him for the Comforter that came into my life on May 19, at the Wimauma campmeeting. The way grows sweeter every day. Praise God! I am determined to go through. Pray for me.

One of the little ones,  
Mrs. Pearl Smith.

## Hickory Point, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am still shouting and singing God's praise. He so wonderfully saves and keeps those who trust Him. He is indeed the hope of His people.

I praise Him for the sweet refrain in my heart tonight, for I am fully saved, sanctified, baptized with the Holy Ghost and kept by the mighty power of God. Glory, honor and praise be unto our God!

I am so glad that God in His goodness and mercy leads His children in paths of right, and even if they become heady and run off on the wrong road, He will use every means to bring them back to pastures green where there is peace and safety.

Dear children of the most High God, be warned of one who has had experience and do not leave the protection of the Church of God and suffer yourself to be estranged from the body of Christ through false doctrine, for sweet and satisfying peace is found only in the fold where there is one Shepherd. If Satan can only get you drawn just a little way from the fold he will soon get the advantage of you and will have you both thinking and speaking perverse things.

Let us remember our Lord said to watch and pray; and if we fail to watch and pray the enemy will surely get in. But thank God, our Lord has more power than Satan and those who trust Him as their all and in all will go through.

I am still trusting God for both soul and body. I have not taken any medicine at all in nearly two years. When I first came this way and embraced the faith I was afflicted with chronic stomach trouble and never a week passed but I was doped with pills and powders and some times for days I would have to just live on drugs. But now it's all taken away and if I do get sick I just talk to the Lord about it and usually it is not long until all is well.

Praying much for the perfecting of the saints, I am

Your sister in Christ,  
Mattie Batts.

## Wilmington, Del.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Evangel Family:

I am saved, have been washed in the Blood. Carnality has been taken out. Praise God! I am seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

I want Brother E. D. Hopkins, Brother Sam. C. Perry, Brother Davis, Brother Smith, Brother Payne, Brother Myers and Brother John W. Pitcher to please remember me by name to our God that I may be a power for His cause.

I love the Church of God and its government. I want to be able to hold the standard up to this lost world.

I was over to Baltimore to Brother Pitcher's church. His little band seemed to be on fire

for God. Several were on the floor dancing and leaping for joy.

I want to mention about the death of Brother Byman who has departed this life. He had been trusting God for healing during the last ten years of his life. For about fifteen months before his death he was afflicted with dropsy, and the last four months some one sat by his side constantly. The saints certainly did show their love for him day and night. I truly believe there were more prayers offered in his home than in any I ever knew. The Lord seemed to touch his body every time the saints prayed. Just before he died the doctor came to see him and wrote out a prescription. He looked up at the doctor and said: "I haven't taken any medicine in ten years." And he never did take any. Brother Byman's example I shall never forget. He died like a Christian. The Holy Ghost spoke through him just before he died.

A lady from New Jersey came over to Brother Thomas' mission last Sunday to be healed of deafness. She was instantly healed.

I have seen numbers of people instantly healed in our mission. God heals my body and my family also. My wife is not saved but God has healed her body in answer to prayer. Every child of God has a right to the wonderful promises of God.

Brother Tomlinson remember my name to God when you pray.

Your brother in Christ,  
H. W. Potat.

## Johnson City, Tenn.

Dear Evangel:

The harvest is now truly white but the laborers are few. As I look out upon the beautiful fields of grain as some are now ready for the reapers, I think how few real true laborers there are in God's field working for Jesus and His kingdom.

It is true however that on this beautiful Sunday morning many thousand so-called ministers will stand before their congregations holding up the doctrine of their particular creeds and declaring that perfection is not expected of people in this age of the world, which is in direct opposition to the teaching of Jesus and His apostles.

From Abraham down we have holiness and purity of heart for all men.—See Luke 1:73-75. Jesus said in His sermon on the mount, "Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God."—Mat. 5:18. He also said: "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect."—Mat. 5:48.

Paul says that all Scripture is given by inspiration and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works. See 2 Tim. 3:16,17. He says that the gifts are for the perfecting of the saints. Eph. 4:12. These as well as many other Scriptures teach Christian perfection without any doubt.

The third chapter of Romans has no reference to God's truly saved and sanctified ones, but is a true photograph of the unsaved and natural man.—Rom. 3:10-20.

While the carnal mind is teaching and holding up an imperfect and unholy life, the real people of God are teaching just to the contrary. While they are putting off the coming of Jesus for many long years the real saints of God are looking and expecting His coming soon, and are praying for His return. Who will be expected to meet Him at His coming? See 1 John 3:3. In the language of St. John help us to say, "Even so, come, Lord Jesus." Rev. 22:20.

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